

REMARKS

Claims 20 and 21 have been objected to and would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Claim 20 is a dependent claim which depends from claim 18, which in turn depends from claim 16. Claim 20 has been canceled. The subject matter of claim 20 has been rewritten in independent form and is presented as new claim 43. Claim 21 has been amended to depend from new claim 43. It is now believed that claims 43 and 21 are in condition for allowance.

Claim 39 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Claim 39 has been canceled.

Claim 16-19, 39, and 40 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cloud (US-2620144) in view of Breary (US-1018550) and Branback (US-Re.34376). Claims 16, 18, 39, and 40 have been canceled. Dependent claims 17 and 19 have been amended to depend from new claim 43, which is believed to be in condition for allowance. Therefore, claims 17 and 19 are now believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claim 22 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C.103(a) as being unpatentable over Cloud in view of Breary and Branback as applied to claims 16-19, 39, and 40 above, and further in view of Patton (US-6655627). Dependent claim 22 depends from dependent claim 19. Dependent claim 19 has been amended to depend from new independent claim 43. As claims 43 and 19 are now believed to be in condition for allowance, dependent claim 22 is also believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claims 16 and 39 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cloud in view of Branback. Claims 16 and 39 have been cancelled.


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Reconsideration in view of the foregoing amendments and allowance of claims 17, 18, 21, 22, and 43 is respectfully requested. Applicant respectfully requests that original claim 22, amended claims 17, 19, and 21, and new claim 43, along with previously allowed claims 9-15, inclusive, 41, and 42 be passed to allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,

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